



## **Brownfields 2017 Cleanup Grant Fact Sheet Camden, NJ**

### **EPA Brownfields Program**

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

### **Cleanup Grant**

*\$200,000 for hazardous substances*

EPA has selected the City of Camden for a brownfields cleanup grant. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up the Knox Meadows II site located at 1000 North 4th Street. The site is a two-and-a-half acre portion of the 37-acre former Knox Gelatin site, which manufactured soap, gelatin, sealants, and other goods. The site also housed a wharf and a wood mill. Industrial use of the site dates back to the 1800s; the last remaining building was razed in 1995. The site is contaminated with polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons, metals, and PCBs that were used to backfill the waterfront when it was developed. Grant funds also will be used to support community involvement activities.

### **Contacts**

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (<http://www.epa.gov/brownfields>).

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